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The weather Wednesday: high 85, low 50, hum. 40 percent. Beautiful!

A word or two about scams and a fine Tryon Daily Bulletin tradition established by Seth and Bos Vining: Polk County Sheriff Boyce

Carswell said recently that he may have been taken by some fast-talking salesmen pushing a "drug education" fundraising program. Using hindsight, it's pretty clear now that the fasttalkers walked away with most of the money, and left very little of anything behind for Polk County.

Columbus Police learned the same lesson two years ago working with the "Lenny the Lion" drug education people from Tupelo, Miss.

Unfortunately, some other community will learn it tomorrow - after having its wallets thinned.

They say "buyer beware" is the only workable motto in a democratic, free market economy and it is probably so. The Federal Trade Commission routinely mails its Alert for consumers newsletter to The Bulletin warning of scams.

Many scams come in the form (Continued On Back Page)

## **Top Horses To Blockhouse**

With a total of 42 horses entered in five races, this Saturday's Blockhouse Steeplechase meeting promises good racing for 'chase fans already assembling in Tryon.

The featured Blockhouse Steeplechase, with a purse of \$20,000, has five entries, assuring a solid race if all go postward. The favorite will be Timber Bay Stable's "Yaw", winner of \$49,300 and three races last year. Trained by top 'chase trainer Jonathan Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. William Entenmann's color bearer won the \$25,000 Manly Stakes at Fair Hill, the \$20,000 Sandhills Cup at Southern Pines, and a \$15,000 allowance race at Radnor. The bay gelding was also third in the prestigious Temple Gwathmey at Middleburg.

Pushing the favorite all the way to the wire will be Laura Thiel's "Timely Encounter," and Augustin Stable's "Jamaica Bay." Saddled by Janet Elliot, "Timely Encounter" was home first last season in the National Hunt Cup at Radnor and third in the Carolina Cup at Camden, \$19,000 for the year in winnings. The Thiel entry was fifth in this year's Carolina Cup against a top field and it is hoped he is rounding into his 1988 form when he won the Gwathmey, then raced at Belmont Park.

Although "Jamaica Bay" did not win last year, he was second in the Foxfield Cup and third in (Continued On Back Page)



Angela R. Stacey

## **Stacey Awarded Teaching Scholarship**

Angela R. Stacey, a senior at Chase High School, has been awarded a N.C. Teaching Fellows Scholarship. The scholar-ship is for \$20,000 and offers many other benefits. She will be attending seminars, field trips and conferences during the academic year and also summer. The Teaching Fellows are recognized as outstanding students and teachers of tomorrow. Angela plans to attend UNC

Asheville and major in Elementary Education.

Angela attended Green Creek School K-4th. She then attended Harris Elementary and graduated from 8th grade with top honors. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Stacey of Rutherfordton.

-Community Reporter

## **Petition Protests Town Refuse Fees**

The Tryon Town Council has decided to listen to town businessmen before raising their trash collection fees.

The council has invited business people and residents to voice their opinion on trash collection fees at its next meeting, May 13 at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall, said Town Manager Matthew Dolge.

The council passed a new fee schedule at its last meeting April 8 that raised most business fees substantially. The rates were to be anywhere from \$15 to \$90 a month, depending upon the amount of trash a business generates.

But several town business owners complained, and a petition is to begin circulating Monday, according to Bob Richardson, owner of Blue Ridge Weavers.

"I don't think they should be putting most of the burden on the businesses," Richardson said. Council raised residential fees just \$1, from \$7 to \$8.

"The residential rate is too low," Richardson said. "If the council would raise the residential rate, the proposed business rate could be lower."

Richardson also questioned the way in which rates were set for different businesses.

"Small businesses just can't afford it," he said. "Some will just forget it and go out of town. I can't pass this cost on to my

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